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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: ELKE POGGE VON STRANDMANN (PCT) EXAMINER: BERTOGLIO  
SERIAL NO: 10/019,708 GROUP: 1632  
FILED: DECEMBER 27, 2001  
TITLE: PREPARATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF PIGMENTATION  
DISORDERS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ATT: BOX FEE AMENDMENT  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2002,  
Applicant respectfully responds as follows:

REMARKS

The Patent Examiner has required a restriction to one of the  
following inventions:

Group I: Claims 1, 2, 4-10, drawn to a preparation for the  
treatment of pigmentation disorder containing the  
protein DCoH and the use thereof.

Group II: Claims 1, 4-10, drawn to a preparation for the  
treatment of pigmentation disorder containing DNA  
encoding DCoH and the use thereof.